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Ion Family Collection, MS 196

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Overview of the Collection

Creator	Unknown
Title	The Ion Family Collection
Dates	1886-1946
Quantity	1 linear foot
Collection Number	MS 196
Summary	A collection of personal and family items and records, including personal correspondence from 1886-1940; Wichita public schools' newspapers and publications 1893-1919; 1918 and 1919 Wichita High School yearbooks; and family photographs.
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Leonard H. Axe Library, Special Collections & University Archives 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
Access Restrictions	There are no restrictions and the collection is open for research. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections & University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University
Languages	English
Biographical Note	Francis William "Frank" Ion (1867-1926) and Edith Champlin Ion (1870-1950) lived in Jamestown and Wichita, Kansas. They had three daughters; Ida May Ion Williams (1899-1987), Adalene Georgia Ion Hoover (1900-1982), and Frances Lillian Ion Rowe (1902-1983). Lillian and Ida went to school in the Wichita Public school system. Lillian graduated from the Kansas State Teachers College of Pittsburg (now Pittsburg State University) in 1927. She married Fayette Rowe and taught piano lessons from her home. Jack Ion was Lillian, Ida and Adalene's nephew. Adalene married Samuel Hoover (1900-1929) and was a registered nurse. They had two sons; Francis (1925-2010) and Captain Samuel Hoover (1924-1995).

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Content Description

This collection of primary and secondary resources and is divided into the following series:

1. Personal Correspondence
2. Wichita
3. Photographs
4. Miscellaneous

Processing Note

Collection formally processed in April 2018 by Ellen Long.

Series 1: Personal Correspondence

F. 1
1886-1940; undated

Series 2: Wichita

F. 2 *Franklin Star* (Franklin Middle School) 1914-1916; *High School Messenger* (Wichita High School) 1893-1919

F. 3 *The Wichitan* 1917-1918

F. 4 1918 and 1919 Wichita High School Yearbook; Wichita High School Department of Commerce card belonging to Ida Ion; Ida and Lillian Ion grade cards 1912-1921; School Memories; Wichita High School Commencement

Series 3: Photographs

F. 5 Undated photographs circa 1870s and 1940s; Family members; sailors during WWII; picture button; photo album 1942-1946 of Jack Ion and family

Series 4: Miscellaneous

National Geographic Society Pictorial Geography Sahara and Eskimo Life belonging to Lillian Ion

F. 6 Articles and papers
“Did the Indian Know the Mastodon?” *The Growth of Stalagmites and Stalactites*; Jacob’s Cavern, *Syllabus* for Early European History at Trinity College North Carolina; *History of the USS Frederick Funston*; miscellaneous papers and projects

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F. 7 Miscellaneous

Jack Ion's business card; humorous incidents booklet printed by Jack Ion; fan and lady shaped score cards; fire and tornado insurance policy in Columbus, Kansas; Fayette Rowe Republican Party candidate for County Attorney in Columbus, Kansas 1938; Toy money; Playing cards